

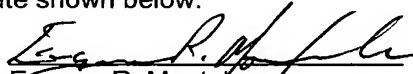


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In re application of

Van Riet, Egbert Jan

Serial No. 10/520,606

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OF DRILLING MUD

Group Art Unit: 3672

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FOR RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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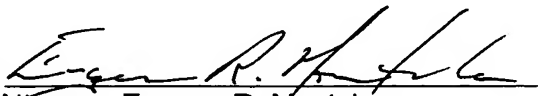
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Please charge the \$120.00 fee specified in 37 CFR 1.17(a)(1) to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No.19-1800. An extra copy of this Petition is enclosed for that purpose.

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